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REMARKS

Claims 1-3 are currently pending. Claims 4-15 have been added and claim 1 was amended to correct a typographical error.

Support for the Amendment

Support for new claims 4-7, which are directed to methods for producing a food packaging material comprising hop acids, and new claims 8-15, which are directed to food packaging material comprising hop acids, is found at page 6, lines 1-5.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments presented herein.

Applicants believe that no fee is due to consider the present amendment.

Nevertheless, the Director is hereby authorized to charge or credit any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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